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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Dear Sir:

The attention of the Examiner is invited to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are submitted herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the information above be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

CERTIFICATION AND/OR FEE

The references are being submitted in order to support Applicants' argument in response to the Decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences mailed August 20, 2003.

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In addition, Applicants believe that since prosecution is being reopened, no fees are due in conjunction with the filing of this information disclosure statement. However, if any fees are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then authorization to charge such fees is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

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